

**Amendments to the Claims**

1-45. (CANCELLED)

46. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A wireless communication device, comprising:

a read only memory for storing a list comprising area codes, at least a portion of which are authorized area codes, the read only memory also for storing one or more authorized geographic areas, wherein each authorized geographic area comprises absolute or relative position information;

a user interface for accepting a an inputted phone number ~~of an attempted phone call from the wireless communication device, the phone number~~ having an inputted area code;

a global positioning system (GPS) device for determining a current physical location of the wireless communication device;

a controller connected to the read only memory, the user interface, and the GPS device, the controller configured to determine whether the inputted phone number ~~attempted phone call~~ will incur a charge based on an evaluation of at least the inputted area code, the current physical location, and the list comprising area codes and the one or more authorized geographic areas stored in the read only memory, wherein the controller is further configured to permit placement of ~~the~~ a phone call to the inputted phone number only if ~~the phone call is authorized~~ the area code is an authorized area code and the current location of the wireless communication device is within an authorized geographic area.

47. (CANCELLED)

48. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The wireless communication device of claim 46, wherein at least a portion of the list comprising area codes are ~~at least one of a plurality of unauthorized area codes is stored in the memory;~~ and

wherein the controller is configured to block a phone call to the inputted number if the area code is an ~~blocks the phone call if the at least one of the plurality of unauthorized area code matches the inputted area code and~~ or the current physical

location of the wireless communication device is not within an authorized geographic area ~~matches a predetermined physical location.~~

49-58. (CANCELLED)

59. (NEW) A computer readable medium on a wireless communication device having stored thereon one or more sequences of instructions for causing one or more microprocessors to perform the steps for restricting a requested communication, the steps comprising:

- storing in a read only memory of the wireless communication device a plurality of communication characteristics comprising information regarding accrual of charges for communications associated with particular communication characteristics;

- receiving the requested communication, the requested communication having a communication characteristic;

- accessing the plurality of communication characteristics stored in read only memory of the wireless communication device;

- determining whether the requested communication will accrue a charge based on an evaluation of the plurality of communication characteristics and the requested communication; and

- providing a response to the requested communication indicating that the requested communication is unauthorized.

60. (NEW) The computer readable medium of claim 59, wherein the requested communication is a phone call.

61. (NEW) The computer readable medium of claim 59, wherein the provided response comprises a message presented on a user interface of the wireless communication device.

62. (NEW) The computer readable medium of claim 59, wherein the provided response comprises a response played through a speaker of the wireless communication device.

63. (NEW) A method for restricting a requested communication on a wireless communication device, comprising:

- storing in a read only memory of the wireless communication device one or more authorized geographic areas, wherein each authorized geographic area comprises absolute or relative position information;

- storing in the read only memory of the wireless communication device one or more authorized telephone number area codes;

- receiving the requested communication, wherein the requested communication comprises a telephone number having an area code;

- determining whether the area code of the requested communication telephone number is an authorized telephone number area code stored in the read only memory of the wireless communication device;

- identifying a current location of the wireless communication device;

- determining whether the current location of the wireless communication device is within an authorized geographic area stored in the read only memory of the wireless communication device;

- initiating a call to the telephone number in the requested communication only if the area code of the requested communication telephone number is an authorized telephone number area code and the current location of the wireless communication device is within an authorized geographic area.

64. (NEW) The method of claim 63, wherein the current location is an absolute global positioning system position.

65. (NEW) The method of claim 63, wherein the current location is a relative global positioning system position.

66. (NEW) The method of claim 63, wherein the determining whether the area code of the requested communication telephone number is an authorized telephone number area code comprises evaluating local toll charges.

67. (NEW) The method of claim 63, wherein the determining whether the area code of the requested communication telephone number is an authorized telephone number area code comprises evaluating long distance charges.